



"The United States of America is a beacon of freedom for the rest of the world. We've pulled together as a nation to overcome troubles in the past. We will prevail in this new challenge, as well."

-- Congressman Bart Gordon

United We Stand

FIGHTING THE TERROR

THE NATION'S RESPONSE



Congressman Gordon presents medals to Earl Gentry(left) and James Robinson(center) of Cookeville. Mr. Gentry accepted medals he earned during World War II. Mr. Robinson received medals earned for his service in the Persian Gulf War.

Congress has given the president authority to use all necessary force against nations, organizations and people responsible for the September 11 assault against America.

The United States military is punishing the Taliban regime in Afghanistan for protecting and harboring Osama bin Laden, the terrorist responsible for killing thousands of Americans and citizens from 80 other countries.

Congress has approved a \$40 billion emergency package for recovery efforts for the attacks and to help prepare for the ongoing military response against the terrorists.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service can detain suspected illegal immigrants for seven days without bringing charges while investigating their backgrounds.

Congress has approved funds to triple border patrol personnel along the U.S. border with Canada.

Surveillance and wiretap powers of federal law enforcement authorities have been expanded to aid in the search for terrorists operating inside the United States.

Law enforcement has expanded powers to track and freeze U.S. assets of terrorist organizations.

An economic stimulus package is being developed to jump start the nation's sluggish economy.

BOLSTERING NATIONAL CONFIDENCE

Congress is working on comprehensive bioterrorism measures to increase the amount of drugs and vaccines in the national stockpile and make sure our nation's food and water supplies remain safe, as well as our energy production plants.

Plans are also being put together to boost the capabilities of the nation's public health infrastructure, strengthen intelligence gathering capabilities and better prepare our military forces to assist local communities in a time of crisis.

Commercial air travel is being made safer, as well. Security at airports has been tightened, and federal air marshals will be placed on domestic flights. Air carriers are also making structural modifications inside their aircraft to make the cockpits more secure.

The federal government is also working diligently to aid local emergency services organizations by making sure they have the resources and training to deal with any potential catastrophe.

Bart Gordon – Staying In Touch

Dear Friends,



The events of September 11 have forced us into a time of uncertainty. But we shouldn't feel helpless. Continuing with our daily routines is the best way we can fight the terrorists who think they can scare us into submission.

Go to that ball game. Drive out to the mall to do some shopping. Fly commercial airlines to visit family or friends. We should take a little advice from Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who once said, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

The United States of America is a beacon of freedom and democracy for the rest of the world. That's exactly why this nation has become the target of terrorists.

Rest assured we will root out those responsible for killing innocent Americans. And we will punish them severely. Our military has already begun this task. We will prevail.

I look forward to hearing your views on this new challenge, as well as other issues of concern to you and your family.

Stay in touch,

Bart

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